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1. A method for accessing information over a network from a remote location on the network for delivery to a user PC, comprising the steps of:
providing a functional mode on a cellular telephone for web access over the network;
associating a button on the phone with the functional mode;
activating the button on the phone to activate the functional mode when in proximity to the user PC; and
in response to activation of the functional mode, controlling the user PC to access information from the remote location on the network for delivery to the user PC and display thereof on a display associated with the user PC.

2. The method of Claim 1, wherein the functional mode has associated therewith a unique code, which unique code is associated with the remote location, such that the user PC is controlled in accordance with the unique code to access the predetermined remote location.

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3. The method of Claim 2, wherein the step of providing the functional mode comprises storing the unique code in the cellular telephone, which unique code is associated in the step of associating with the button, such that the unique code is output as a function of activation of the button in the step of activating for delivery to the user PC in the step of controlling.

4. The method of Claim 3, wherein the step of activating comprises transmitting the unique code to the user PC and the user PC further including the step of receiving the unique code from the cellular telephone and, in response thereto, accesses the information from the remote location on the network.

5. The method of Claim 4, wherein the step of transmitting comprises transmitting via a wireless mode.

6. The method of Claim 5, wherein the step of transmitting via the wireless mode includes transmitting via an optical link.

7. The method of Claim 3, wherein the step of controlling the user PC further comprises the steps of:

receiving the unique code;

transmitting the unique code to an intermediate node on the network;

providing a relational database at the intermediate node on the network having contained therein a relational table between one or more unique codes and corresponding location information of the network;

comparing the unique code transmitted to the intermediate node with location information that resides in the informational database and, if there is a match, transmitting the matched location information back to the user PC; and

connecting the user PC to the remote location in accordance with the matched location information returned thereto from the intermediate node.

8. The method of Claim 4, wherein the step of transmitting comprises transmitting an audio signal wherein the step of receiving comprises receiving and detecting the audio signal and extracting the information in the unique code therefrom.

9. The method of Claim 1, wherein the network is a global communication network.

10. An apparatus for accessing information over a network from a remote location on the network for delivery to a user PC;

a cellular telephone for providing a functional mode for web access over the network;

5 a button on said cellular telephone associated with said functional mode;

wherein said button on said telephone is activated to initiate said functional mode when in proximity to the user PC; and

10 wherein in response to activation of the functional mode, the user PC is controlled to access information from the remote location on the network for delivery to the user PC and display thereof of said information on a display associated with the user PC.

11. The apparatus of Claim 10, wherein said functional mode has associated therewith a unique code, which said unique code is associated with said remote location, such that the user PC is controlled in accordance with said unique code to access said predetermined remote location.

12. The apparatus of Claim 11, wherein the unique code is stored in said cellular telephone, which said unique code is associated with said button, such that said unique code is output to the user PC as a function of activation of said button.

13. The apparatus of Claim 12, wherein the unique code is transmitted to the user PC, and the user PC said unique code is received from said cellular telephone and, in response thereto, said information from said remote location on the network is accessed.

14. The apparatus of Claim 13, wherein said unique code is transmitted via a wireless mode.

15. The apparatus of Claim 14, wherein said unique code is transmitted via an optical link.

16. The apparatus of Claim 12, wherein the user PC is controlled to receive said unique code, and to transmit said unique code to an information system on the network, said information system on the network comprising:

an intermediate node which receives the unique code; and
a relational database at said intermediate node having contained therein a relational table between one or more said unique codes and corresponding location information of the network;

wherein said unique code which is transmitted to said intermediate node is compared with said location information that resides in said relational database and, if there is a match, transmitting said matched location information back to the user PC;

wherein the user PC is connected to said remote location in accordance with said matched location information returned thereto from said intermediate node.

17. The apparatus of Claim 13, wherein an audio signal is transmitted to the user PC, which user PC receives and detects said audio signal, and extracts said unique code therefrom.

18. The apparatus of Claim 10, wherein the network is a global communication network.

19. A system for accessing information over a network from a remote location on the network for delivery to a user PC, comprising:

a cellular telephone having a functional mode for transmitting a signal containing a unique code to the user PC;

5 an intermediate node disposed on the network for communicating with the user PC, and having associated therewith a relational database containing a resource of associations between one or more unique codes and corresponding location information of one or more locations on the network;

10 wherein a user of said cellular telephone activates said functional mode to cause the user PC to connect to said intermediate node, said intermediate node returning said location information associated with said unique code and corresponding to the remote location to the user PC,

15 wherein the user PC connects to the remote location on the network in accordance with said returned location information, and the remote location retrieves the information for delivery to the user PC.

20. The system of Claim 19, wherein said unique code is transmitted via a wireless mode.